

NOMINATION FORM  
for the  
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

<b>1. NAME</b>				
COMMON:				
Harvey House				
AND/OR HISTORIC:				
<b>2. LOCATION</b>				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
Route 1, 1/2 mile north of old U.S. 40, 6 miles west of Hancock				
CITY OR TOWN:				
Hancock				
STATE		COUNTY:		
Maryland		Washington		
<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Comments <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Religious    _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> Museum <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific    _____				
<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>				
OWNER'S NAME:				
Frances M. Suffecool				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
Route 1				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		
Hancock		Maryland		
<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:				
Washington County Court House				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
West Washington Street				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		
Hagerstown		Maryland		
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): 249/487				
<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>				
TITLE OF SURVEY:				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		

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7 DESCRIPTION			
CONDITION	(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair
	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)		(Check One)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved
	<input type="checkbox"/> Original Site		
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE			
<p>The Harvey House is located <math>\frac{1}{4}</math> mile north of old U.S. 40 approximately six miles west of Hancock in Washington County, Maryland. The structure is situated on the west side of an unmarked paved road, facing east on the east slope of Sidling Hill.</p> <p>The house is a long, nine-bay, two-story structure built of logs and drame and covered with shingle siding. A four-bay, one-story wing projects at the rear or west side of the main structure. Fieldstone chimneys are located at the exterior of the north gable end and inside between the second and third bays and between the sixth and seventh bays from the south end. An exterior stone chimney was located at the west end of the one-story wing which has since been removed and replaced with a double window. The roof is covered with modern shingles.</p> <p>The foundations are of local rubble fieldstone which carry walls constructed of squared hewn logs. The north end of the main section appears to be constructed of frame rather than of log. Shingle siding covers all of the original wall construction.</p> <p>There is no decorative woodwork associated with the exterior of the house. The eaves boxing is plain. Only a small strip of molding finishes the overhang of the roof at the gables. The window and door framing is also plain and joined by wooden pegs in what appears to be the oldest section of the house.</p> <p>Windows are located on all sides of the building and are generally small in size. Six-over-six pane double-hung sashes are in all second story windows and in the windows of the one-story wing. Window openings of the first story contain nine-over-six pane double-hung sashes.</p> <p>Doors are located at the second, fourth and eighth bays from the south end of the front of the house. The door opening in the fourth bay includes a transom and enters into a stair hall. The other two doors enter directly into rooms. At the rear or west side of the house, a door is present at the level of the stair landing. Although this door does not appear to be original, it does indicate that an outside stair or porch was once present.</p> <p>A small one-bay shed roofed entrance porch is present at the south door at the front of the house. The porch which is modern, is supported by square posts. A porch also sheds the south wall of the one-story wing. It appears to be an early, if not original feature, although it is supported by new square posts.</p> <p>The interior of the house at the main story is divided into four rooms and a central hall arranged on an axis. Each room has a fireplace. Woodwork is very simple throughout the interior of the house. The main stair is plain in design and is without elaborate work at the newel or balusters. It is a closed string stair of the type frequently found in 17th century houses.</p> <p>This house has clearly been built in sections. Several log interior walls suggest the earliest dimensions of the house. (See floor plan.)</p> <p>There are no substantiated dates indicating the years that various sections of this structure were built. However, the present owner reports that knowledgeable previous owners stated that the west wing and the central section of the main structure were in use in 1815 as a tavern and wagoners' stop. The north end containing three bays was said to have been added in 1859, while the south end, containing two bays was reportedly added in 1869. A detailed examination of the interior of the house would be needed to substantiate these construction dates.</p>			

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Near this structure is a small frame wash house or kitchen with a stone exterior chimney. The buildings are in good condition and are not threatened by great exterior alteration or destruction. The property contains 352 acres and is used for agriculture.

## B. SIGNIFICANCE

## PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- ☐ Pre-Columbian      ☐ 16th Century      ☐ 18th Century      ☐ 20th Century  
☐ 15th Century      ☐ 17th Century      ☐ 19th Century

## SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

## AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginol     | <input type="checkbox"/> Education    | <input type="checkbox"/> Political      | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric    | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering  | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi-  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic       | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry     | losophy                                 | <u>The structure was</u>                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture    | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention    | <input type="checkbox"/> Science        | <u>an inn and stage</u>                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture   | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape    | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture      | <u>stop.</u>                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art            | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humon-  | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce       | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature   | itorion                                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military     | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater        | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation   | <input type="checkbox"/> Music        | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____                                    |

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The area of significance of this structure is both its architecture and its contribution to the westward movement as a roadside inn.

Architecturally, the structure is important as an example of log construction which was a prominent building method in western Maryland. The type of log house construction, which was used in western Maryland appears to have been brought to this country by German settlers who traditionally used this method of building. Other groups adopted the log house and it became the main type of dwelling used by settlers in the wooded areas of Pennsylvania, western Maryland and the Shenandoah Valley. Although stone and brick were replacing log as a major building material by the beginning of the 19th century in western Maryland, heavily wooded and remote areas still used the most readily available building material which was log.

Parts of this house appear to have been built early in the 19th century. The floor plan suggests that the present hallway and the room to its south could have been added to the original structure, which may have included the room north of the stair and the wing,, and was reportedly used as the tavern.

Although the building dates have not yet been established, the oldest parts of the house do indeed appear to date from the first quarter in the 19th century. The small size of the windows, their pegged frames, lack of decorative detail and their irregular placement are all indicators of an early log house.

An important architectural feature of this house is its closed string main stairway. This type of stair is usually associated with 19th and early 18th century houses in the American colonies. Several houses in the Hancock area which date from the early 19th century contain such stairs.

The Harvey House is located near the boundary of two grants of land, "Garlough's Abode" which contained 301 acres of land and was patented to John Garlough in 1799 and "Mount Pleasant" a 1,624-acre parcel granted to Benjamin Oden in 1797. According to Washington County deed records, Charles H. Harvey acquired 233 acres of land from Daniel B. Ridenour in 1869 (Liber W. McK 1, Folio 593). The tract included parts of Garlough's Abode, as well as other lands located south of old Route 40. The property remained in the Harvey family until 1922. It was acquired by the present owners in 1948. The Harvey's operated an inn and tavern in this structure and they apparently originated the small community of Harvey located nearby. The tavern reportedly was operating in the early 19th century and may have been built by the Garlough family.

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## 9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

## 10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES				
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE				
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds		Degrees	Minutes	Seconds		
NW	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"
NE	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"
SE	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"
SW	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 352 acres

Acreage Justification:

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	

## 11. FORM PREPARED BY

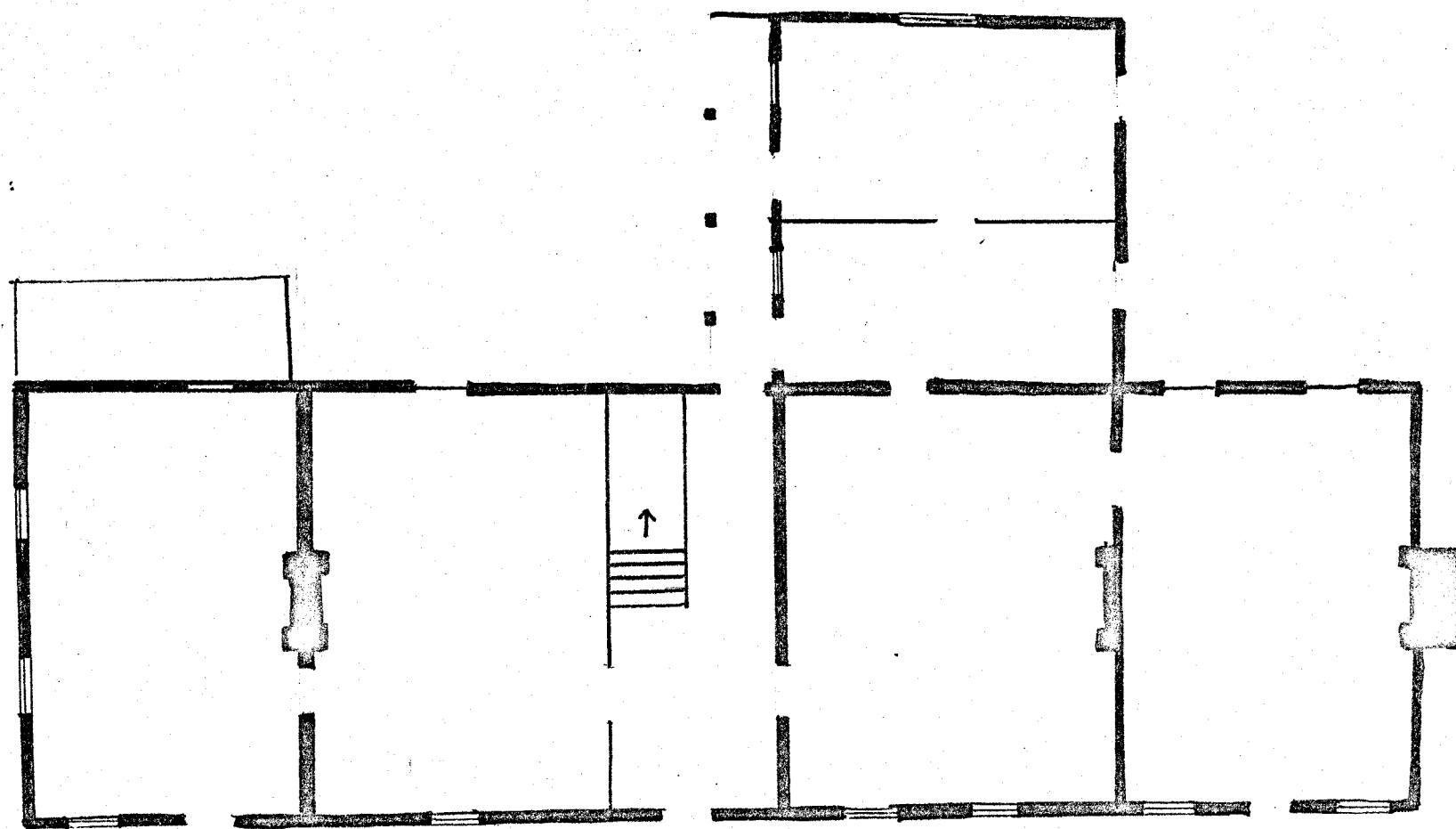
NAME AND TITLE: Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant	
ORGANIZATION Washington County Historic Sites Survey	DATE August, 1973
STREET AND NUMBER: Court House Annex	
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown	STATE Maryland

## 12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

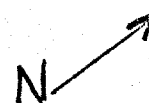
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Signature



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APPROXIMATE FLOOR PLAN





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